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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re continuation application of:

FOSSHEIM et al.

: Office of Initial Patent Examination

Continuation of PCT/GB99/01100

This application filed: October 6, 2000

For: Use of Particulate Contrast Agents in Diagnostic Imaging for Studying
Physiological Parameters

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert as the first sentence [] -This application is a continuation of
PCT/GB99/01100, filed April 9, 1999 (of which the entire disclosure of the pending, prior
application is hereby incorporated by reference), which itself is a continuation-in-part
of application number 60/119,808, filed February 12, 1999. - -

Please add the attached Abstract of the Disclosure to the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4, line 1, please cancel "any one of claims 1 to 3" and insert - -claim 1- -.